Richwood

Richwood, Oct. 8.—J. H. Fleshman visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Fleshman on Monday afternoon.

Robson Fleshman called in the home of T. T. Wooldridge Monday evening.

Geo. T. Cawthorne is at Veterans Hospital in Roanoke, where he will receive medical examination.

Geo. W. Wooldridge, Estelle Wooldridge and Franklin D. Cawthorne visited relatives in Lynchburg Sunday P. M.

Mrs. Tommy Woodall, of Newport News is spending some time with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Fleshman.

The W. M. S. meeting will be held with Mrs. Lawrence Hudson on 3:00 P. M. Sunday, Oct. 13.

There will be services at Wesley Chapel Sunday at 3:00 P. M.

Mrs. Jack Hamilton, nee Audrey Pugh, who has been vacationing with her husband and in-laws at Kerrville, Texas, will not return to Richwood as soon as expected. She will join her husband, Ensign Hamilton, U.S.N., who is stationed temporarily in California.

George Abbott was a guest of G. P. Stanley Tuesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Fleshman spent Sunday evening with her people.

The new house being erected on John J. Mance's place will soon be occupied by his brother, Theodore and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Atwell Powell and son of Lynchburg and R. F. Branman were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Pugh Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Harvey and Rev. and Mrs. Cecil Carter were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Esmond Pugh Sunday evening.

Miss Marvis Wooldridge visited relatives in Lynchburg Friday.

Vacuum Cleaners

Vacuum cleaners are classified according to cleaner methods and design. Strictly suction cleaners are in upright, and tank or cylinder types motor-driven brush cleaners for the best job the nozzle must make a good seal with the rug so loosened dirt can be suctioned off. One model has wide front wheels and narrow rear wheels to maintain perfect balance. If there isn't such a "built-in" balance find out about the method of adjustment. In the tank cleaner, the pressure exerted makes the adjustment between high- and low-pile carpeting. If the machine has a rotating brush, find out about the method of replacement. Since bristles wear down on any type cleaner, manufacturers have made it easy to lower the brush roll by pin, screw, or lever, or replace the brush strips. One cleaner has two types of brushes, designed to get at the dirt—one with pile penetrating, the other soft and sweeping.

Square Farming

In square farming, rows run according to the compass, not across the slope. The rows run straight down hill or across it in a straight course along which the surplus from rains can flow, picking up soil and concentrating the muddy water into rills and streamlets that grow into gullies. Square farming, along the sheet erosion of washing, that accounts for loss of soil. Square farming is farming on the level on the good manager often breaks his working area into comparatively narrow strips and alternates the level with bands of close-growing crops such as mixed hay, alfalfa or clover. These act as barriers that causes some runoff from a cultivated strip, the sediment water flowing down the slope soon reaches the protective strip of sod where the soil particles are again filtered out and held by the stems of the grasses.

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Evergreen

Evergreen, Oct. 8.—Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Garrette and daughter, Doris and Miss Doris Evans visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Paulette, of Phenix Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hodge called in the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Evans Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Warriner and daughter, Emily visited in the home of Miss Blannie Evans last Thursday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Ryland Phelps, of Lynchburg, Miss Pauline Phelps, and Mrs. Linwood Phelps of Oakford visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Evans recently.

Miss Doris Evans was the dinner guest of Miss Dolly Garrette Saturday.

Howard Austin, of Lynchburg spent the week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. S. Austin.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Jennings and son, Tad Walker called in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Farrar recently.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Gibson and family, of Washington spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Warriner.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. White, of Lynchburg spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles O'Staples.

Willie Glover, from Crewe visited in the same home.

Locust Grove

Locust Grove, Oct. 8.—Mr. and Mrs. C. T. St. John and daughters of Lynchburg, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Robertson and daughters, Bess Patsy and Mr. and Mrs. Percy Reynolds and children were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Homer Reynolds.

Dinner guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Willie Beale were Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Beale and son, Mrs. Emmett Patterson, Mrs. Fannie Beale and daughter, Mrs. James Beale and daughter, Mary Ann; Clarence Beale and son, Everette Beale and daughter, Betty Beale, and daughter, Evelyn; Mr. and Mrs. Jack Morgan and Mrs. Anna Jean Muggins and Mrs. Williams, Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Garland were Saturday evening guests in this home.

Mr. and Mrs. Singleton and children of W. Va. visited Mrs. Coleman with his mother, Mrs. Lawis Coleman.

Mrs. Nathalie Robertson and Mrs. Emmett Hammersley spent Thursday with Mrs. Wilson Scruggs.

Little St. Bernard Pass Strategic Alpine Route

Although historians argue whether the Carthaginian general, Hannibal, crossed the Alps at the Little St. Bernard pass, it is known that the Romans found it useful. In the century before Christ, Roman legions made sure of the pass by conquering neighboring mountain tribes which had sought to levy toll or to exact tolls for its use.

During the Middle Ages Bishops of Savoy used the Little St. Bernard as a convenient cross cut between the Rhone valley and Italy. Today it is one of the main routes over the Alps surveyed and planned by Napoleon. Under the carriage route was opened there in 1801, and every summer it is used by speed motor traffic between French Riviera and Italian cities. Toward the end of the summer, when the Little St. Bernard pass was closed to the automobile, French and Italian members of the Maquis resistance forces operated on both mountain valleys and pockets.

Normally the Little St. Bernard pass is closed to travel between the middle of October and the middle of June. Because of its northerly position and height, it has come to be used less than some of the other Alpine routes during the high border land between southeast France and northwest Italy.

Use the Lowly Mouse to Measure Pain-Relieving Drugs

An accurate test, based on mouse squeaks from electric shocks, is proving the strength of painkilling drugs from aspirin to morphine was reported to the American Chemical Society's fall meeting. Sudden, painful shock is applied through the floor of a cage to mice which have been given pills, and the interval before the mouse squeaks gives a measure of the drug's strength, the report said.

The test makes it possible to compare drug potencies in terms of an internationally standardized measurement, the report said. Previously, it was necessary to use human subjects for such tests, scientists said.

A strong enough electrical shock on the tail will make a mouse squeak, it was explained, and a weak one will not. Mice are used because they are small and easily handled, and because they are not as sensitive to pain as human beings.

Rat mice were scrutinized and the pillow slaughtered, but investigators said there was no sign of a struggle. A fish dress was the only garment found in the room.

Mother Is Convicted For Slaying of Son, 6

PHILIPPI, W. VA.—Mrs. Margaret Loughry, convicted by a Barbour county criminal court jury of manslaughter in the fatal beating of her six-year-old son, was sentenced to one to five years in the state penitentiary. Mrs. Loughry is expecting the birth of another child in September. Two other children are in custody of welfare officers.

Gold Stolen by 2 U. S. Officers

War Department Reports Loot of Chinese Coins

WASHINGTON—The war department revealed that Chinese gold coins valued between $50,000 and $60,000 had been stolen by two high-ranking American army officers.

The thefts are alleged to have taken place in the China theater of operations. An investigation being directed by the provost marshal general's office in Washington.

The investigator discovered that one of the officers is on terminal leave and that the other has been discharged from the service. The army investigator said the latter was about 80 per cent implicated.

The spokesman declined to reveal names of the officers or to disclose their rank, but indicated neither was below the rank of major.

The officer said he was not yet in position to give complete details of the theft because it is labeled "secret" in the China theater.

He added that he also did not "want to prejudice the investigation or hurt the discharged officer" involved because he has been extremely cooperative in all.

It was revealed, however, that the gold was stolen on one of the Japanese islands and that any action to be taken will be carried out at headquarters of the China service command.

The Washington investigator said that the gold was in the form of flat coins, called medallion, without any impressions on them.

The officer unofficially charged with being the brains of the looting was ordered to active duty, the spokesman said.

Gem Fortune Returned To Yank Owner in Japan

TOKYO—A lost packet of jewels valued at several million yen was returned for its owner-recovery to Trinke, civilian employee of the U. S. 4th engineer construction battalion.

A Japanese truck driver found the packet bag of treasure and turned it over at police headquarters.

Trinke, who gave the finder a reward of 2,000 yen ($2,000), acquired the jewels legally in the United States, the Allied headquarters publication officer explained.

Trinke, World War I veteran whose home is Racine, Wis., can be reached for comment. He earns $1.40 an hour on his job here.

His personnel records list a wife and three children in Racine, the army reported, and recount among previous jobs the presidency of an ice cream company in Burlington, Wis., and work as a contractor in Racine. He came to Japan as chief cook on a merchant marine ship.

Headquarters had no information regarding it as one of the main routes over the Alps, surveyed and planned by Napoleon. The packet contained one cartridge route was opened there by 1801, and every summer it is used by speed motor traffic between French Riviera and Italian cities. Toward the end of the summer, when the Little St. Bernard pass was closed to the automobile, French and Italian members of the Maquis resistance forces operated on both mountain valleys and pockets.

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Estate of Il Duce Ignore Pleas of Widow

RICHES—The properties of Benito Mussolini have been confiscated on behalf of the Italian people.

Overruling pleas of Il Duce's widow, Donna Rachele, and of his children that their mother be left without means of support if the estate of Italy's dictator be taken, Duce's aide, the 10th section of the supreme court agreed with the finance ministry's contention that everything should be taken. The court gave its decision on the eve of the estate's reserved the right to investigate the economic status of the Mussolini family and if their situation proves desperate, make provision for it.

Representatives of the family, including Donna Rachele and